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TED talks too much: Residents

Downtown. Complaints arise over noise, sound pollution generated by BC Place live stream

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Michel Laberge's TED talk is broadcast live at Terry Fox Plaza at BC Place on Tuesday. One downtown resident complains that the TED live stream is "being forced into (people's) homes, through our blinds and across our dinner tables." MATT KIELTYKA/METRO

On the same day NSA whistleblower Edward Snowden took to the TED stage, a group of downtown residents accused the speaker series of invading their privacy.

David Cookson, a longtime opponent of PavCo's high-definition electronic billboard at BC Place, claims local residents' lives are once again being disrupted with noise and sound pollution thanks to the ongoing TED live broadcast at Terry Fox Plaza.

"It's going on all day and well into the evening," said Cookson, the organizer of 2012's Take the Giant Screen Down Now campaign. "I live five blocks away and I could hear it. It's echoing, it's booming."

Cookson told Metro he's grateful that TED — which runs through March 21 — has picked Vancouver as its new home and that people have the option of viewing the talks live at multiple public venues.

But broadcasting at Terry Fox Plaza is vastly different from broadcasting at indoor venues such as the Trout Lake Community Centre, Vancouver Public Library and Potluck Café Society.

"We love TED but we don't have the option. It's being forced into our homes, through our blinds and across our dinner tables," he said.

Cookson has long been at odds with PavCo over its video screens.

The Crown corporation's director of communications, Kate Hunter, told Metro that residents around BC Place were notified in advance of the TED streaming and that the sessions end at 8:30 each evening.

"We have also been working on the audio to try and minimize disruption to our neighbours," Hunter said in an email. "We are looking at audio levels and also whether we can position the speakers slightly differently."

TED curator Chris Anderson, in an email obtained by Metro, wrote to Cookson that the live stream is "intended as an act of generosity, not intrusion."

"We've offered to share our content with people in Vancouver in a way that would allow ordinary citizens to get to experience some TED talks live," he wrote. "We're sorry if it's a challenge for you and your neighbours, and will take the city's advice on this one."

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Medical marijuana

Feds' new pot laws unconstitutional?

A lawyer for a group of medical-marijuana patients has told a Federal Court judge that stopping his clients from growing their own pot at the end of this month would violate their charter rights.

John Conroy is asking for a temporary injunction to prevent the new Federal government regulations from taking effect on April 1 until the court can make a decision on his constitutional challenge. Beginning next month, the government plans to allow only select commercial producers to grow marijuana for medical use, and Health Canada says anyone else growing marijuana after that is breaking the law. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Compensation fund

Children of Pickton's victims to split $4.9M

As many as 98 children of the victims of serial killer Robert Pickton will be eligible to split a $4.9-million compensation fund.

The federal and B.C. governments and the City of Vancouver announced the money amounts to $50,000 each. The three parties say the compensation offer is intended to provide the children with a chance to enhance their education, housing or other circumstances as they progress with their lives.

Pickton was convicted of second-degree murder for the deaths of six women, but the DNA or remains of 33 women were found on his Port Coquitlam pig farm. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Ocean debris believed to be from Japan is posed for a photograph on Long Beach in Tofino, B.C., on April 18, 2012. The Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup, which hosts an annual cleanup event in September, received a $270,000 grant on Tuesday morning from the B.C. government to expand its tsunami debris removal project along the West Coast. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Shoreline cleanup funds 'not effective'

'Bigger impact.' Ocean advocate would rather see money spent on empowering remote communities

The Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup received $270,000 from the B.C. government to expand its tsunami debris removal project. However, another ocean advocacy group says the national organization's plans for the money are ineffective.

Minister of Environment Mary Polak made the announcement on Tuesday morning, following a $1-million grant from the Japanese government to the Canadian government last year to help clean up debris from the 2011 tsunami.

A few years ago, the Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup held a community event at the Vancouver Aquarium but excluded other non-government organizations, says Vancouver Surfrider Foundation chair Matthew Unger.

Unger would rather see the money spent on empowering local communities in remote areas. He said it would have a "bigger impact."

The Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup is an initiative of the Vancouver Aquarium and the World Wildlife Fund.

Unger said that Surfrider Vancouver, which is part of a worldwide organization, organizes shoreline cleanups each month in the city, while the Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup organizes only one event each year.

Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup manager Jill Dwyer said, however, that this year the organization is offering monthly cleanups in April, May, June and July.

The rest of the year, staff work on data and research, contacting volunteers and running the organization's website.

Dwyer also said the money will go toward cleaning up remote areas, which currently lack resources such as transportation, debris removal and cleanup supplies. It will help support site co-ordinators, she said. KAYLA ISOMURA/FOR METRO

That's a lot of garbage

Top 12 items found on Canada's shorelines in fall 2013:

- **Cigarettes:** 310,994
- **Food wrappers:** 81,971
- **Plastic bottles:** 32,405
- **Plastic bottle caps:** 32,892
- **Beverage cans:** 25,867
- **Straws and stirrers:** 23,528
- **Plastic bags:** 22,012
- **Metal bottle caps:** 21,871
- **Other plastic and foam packaging:** 19,634
- **Plastic grocery bags:** 18,189
- **Plastic lids:** 16,008
- **Construction materials:** 15,965

— *Source: Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup*

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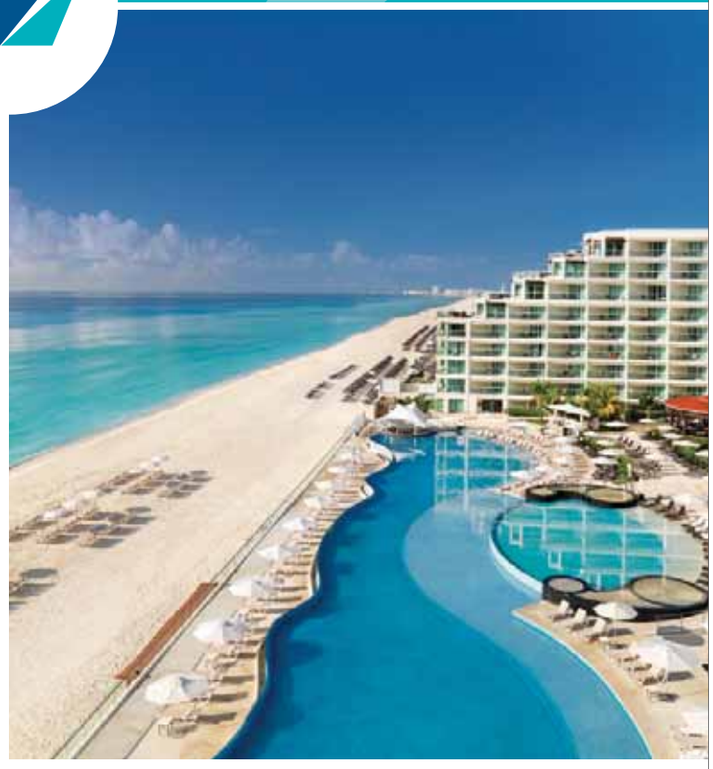

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Thousands of pro-Russian people watch a live broadcast of Russian President Vladimir Putin's speech on Crimea in Sevastopol, Crimea, Tuesday. Fiercely defending Russia's move to annex Crimea, Putin said Russia had to respond to what he described as a plot by the West to take Ukraine into its influence. VADIM GHIRDA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Vladimir Putin welcomes Crimea back into the fold

Annexation. Russian president dismisses criticism, blasting the West as hypocrites and Ukraine as run by radical nationalists

With a sweep of his pen, President Vladimir Putin added Crimea to the map of Russia on Tuesday, describing the move as correcting a past injustice and responding to what he called Western encroachment upon Russia's vital interests.

While his actions were met with cheers in Crimea and Russia, Ukraine's new government called Putin a threat to the whole world and U.S. Vice-President Joe Biden warned that the U.S. and Europe will impose further sanctions against Moscow.

"The world has seen through Russia's actions and has rejected the flawed logic," Biden said as he met with European leaders in Poland.

In an emotional 40-minute speech televised live from the Kremlin, Putin said he was merely restoring order to history by incorporating Crimea.

"In people's hearts and minds, Crimea has always been an integral part of Russia," he declared, dismissing Western criticism of Sunday's Crimean referendum as a manifestation of the West's double standards.

Often interrupted by applause, Putin said the rights of ethnic Russians in Ukraine had been abused by the new Ukrainian government and insisted that Crimea's vote to join Russia was in line with international law and reflected its right for self-determination.

Putin said his actions followed what he described as Western arrogance, hypocrisy and pressure, and warned that the West must drop its stubborn refusal to take Russian concerns into account.

"If you push a spring too hard at some point it will spring back," he said, addressing the West. "You always need to remember this."

While Putin boasted that the Russian takeover of Crimea was conducted without a single shot, a Ukrainian military spokesman said one Ukrainian serviceman was killed and another injured when a military facility in Crimea was stormed Tuesday by armed men just hours after Putin's speech.

Putin argued that the months of protests in the Ukrainian capital of Kyiv which prompted President Viktor Yanukovych to flee to Russia had been instigated by the West to weaken Russia. He cast the new Ukrainian government as illegitimate, driven by radical "nationalists, neo-Nazis, Russophobes and anti-Semites."

In response, Ukraine's new government called Putin dangerous.

"Today's statement by Putin showed in high relief what a real threat Russia is for the civilized world and international security," Ukrainian foreign ministry spokesman Evhen Perebinis said on Twitter. "(The annexation) has nothing to do with law or with democracy or sensible thinking." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The view from home

Sanctions won't isolate Russia, says ambassador

Russia's ambassador to Canada says sanctions from the West over Ukraine won't isolate his country. Energy-thirsty Asian countries such as China are waiting in the wings if Europe and North America decide they won't want Russia's resources, Georgiy Mamedov said Tuesday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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A car burns at the scene of a helicopter crash outside the KOMO-TV studios near the Seattle Space Needle on Tuesday.

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Seattle. City to revisit policy on helicopter landing pads after crash

The city of Seattle will re-examine its policy on helicopter landing pads in response to Tuesday's fatal crash at a busy downtown intersection.

Mayor Ed Murray said at a news conference hours after the wreck that Seattle's regulations on helipads changed at least 20 years ago, when the city instituted more rules and limited where helicopters could take off and land.

"In consultation with the council, we will decide if we need to adjust our policies," he said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Flaherty resigns as finance minister

'I leave feeling fulfilled.' Flaherty is among Canada's longest-serving finance ministers

Finance Minister Jim Flaherty

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Jim Flaherty is leaving the federal cabinet after more than eight years as finance minister to prepare for a return to the private sector, saying the move is unrelated to his recent health problems.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper is expected to name his replacement Wednesday.

Flaherty, who delivered his final budget last month, said he made the decision with his family earlier this year.

"As I begin another chapter in my life, I leave feeling fulfilled with what we have accomplished as a government and a country during one of the most challenging economic periods in our country's history," he said in a statement.

An official in the Prime Minister's Office said Flaherty would be retaining — at least for now — his seat in the House of Commons, meaning he remains an MP for the time being.

Flaherty is among Canada's longest-serving finance ministers, appointed to the key economic post when the Conservative government first came to power in 2006.

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Replacement

Media outlets reported Tuesday night that Natural Resources Minister Joe Oliver will replace Flaherty.

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Fan-made content is music to execs' ears

YouTube. User uploads earning music biz more dough than official videos

The recording industry is making more money from fan-made mashups, lip-syncs and tributes on YouTube than from official music videos.

"It's a massive growth area. We're very excited about the creativity of consumers using our repertoire and creating their own versions of our videos," said Francis Keeling, the global head of digital business for Universal Music Group.

With one billion users worldwide, YouTube is the most used music service in the world, according to the annual Music Report released Tuesday by IFPI, an organization that represents 1,300 record companies around the world.

"All record companies make their repertoire available to YouTube," Keeling explained.

The video website, owned by Google, alerts record companies when a YouTube user uploads content that uses a copyrighted song.

Rather than order the video removed for copyright infringement, the record company can instead choose to run ads before and during the video, making money off the video's views.

For example, a video of American comedian Steve Kardynal wearing a bikini and lip-synching Carly Rae Jepsen's Call Me Maybe for unsuspecting viewers on Chatroulette racked up more than 14 million views, which earned ad dollars for the record label behind Jepsen's hit single.

User-generated content is actually generating more money for record labels than the official music videos posted by record labels, Keeling said.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Hitting the right notes

New revenue streams are good news for the music industry, which saw a global decline in revenues of 3.9% in 2013 to about $15 billion US.

The winter of flyers' discontent

A flight board shows JetBlue cancellations at Logan International Airport on Jan. 7 in Boston, a day after the airline cancelled nearly all operations into Logan because of bad weather. It was that kind of month for JetBlue, and it was that kind of month for all U.S. airlines, which posted one of their worst January on-time performances ever, as winter storms pounded parts of the country. One-third of all flights arrived late, the rate of cancelled flights was the second-highest ever, and reports of mishandled bags soared.

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41.1% of small businesses use url

Small business owner Pascal Proulx counts on his website to give his Montreal roofing company credibility and bring in customers.

But Proulx is among a minority — 41 per cent — of Canadian small business owners who have a website, according to a study by the Canadian Internet Registration Authority.

As a result, small businesses may be losing out on sales opportunities as three-quarters of Canadians research their purchases online, the study said.

Proulx said all his clients have visited his website for info and to look at photos of the company's work.

Overall, the survey found that just 45.5 per cent of Canadian businesses were online.

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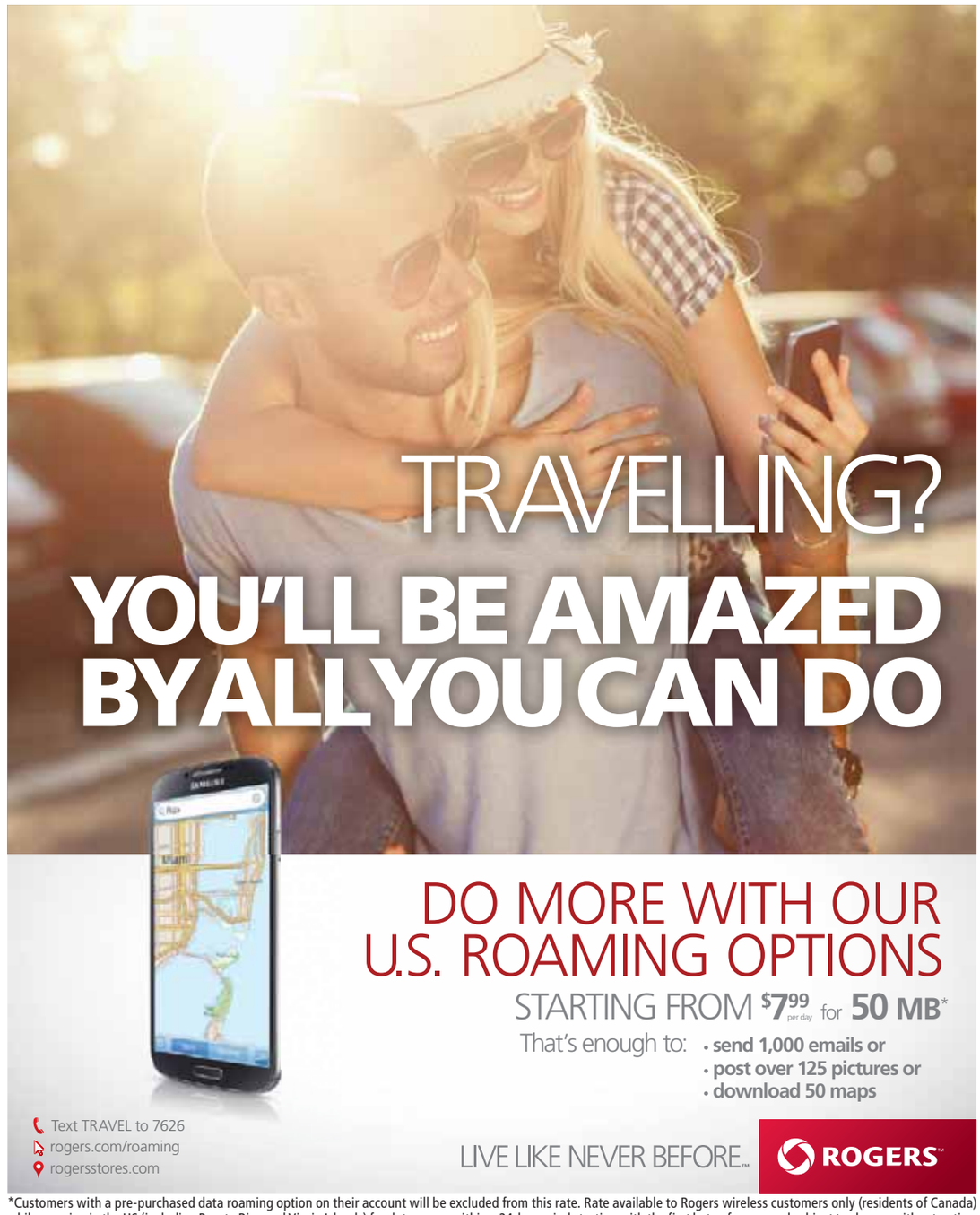
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AND THE MOST FAMOUS CANADIAN IS...

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Quick! Who's the most famous Canadian in the world?

Chris Hadfield, the singing astronaut?

Christopher Plummer, the Oscar-winning actor?

Wayne Gretzky, the Great One?

Nope, it's Avril Lavigne, that's who.

That's if you believe an MIT research project called Pantheon that combed through online references to anyone between 4,000 BC and 2010 who has a Wikipedia reference in more than 25 languages.

It's bad enough that MIT has anointed a pop has-been in the waning stages of her career as the most famous Canadian ever, but our credulity is strained to the breaking point as it goes down the list.

The second most famous Canadian is Jim Carrey? Jim Carrey hasn't had a hit since the '90s and his most recent effort is Dumb and Dumber To.

The outrage continues: Justin Bieber is number three, which makes sense because he's Canadian Bad Boy Number One, right up there with Rob Ford. Number four is Celine Dion, who's certainly famous in Vegas, but number five is Pamela Anderson, who was famous for doing nothing long ago, before she was supplanted by Kim Kardashian.

As statistically sound as it appears to be, the process is obviously flawed. Garbage in, garbage out. What can you expect from research that would have us believe that the world's most famous actor is Molière? (Thousands of commuters call up Molière on their devices, only to discover a 17th century French playwright. Shakespeare would have something to say about that, in iambic pentameter, no less.)

You have to wonder what Avril Lavigne is thinking, as she lounges by the pool out there somewhere in pop-tart land with her arguably more famous husband Chad Kroeger, lead singer for Nickelback. "Like, Chad, I told you I was more famous than you are. In fact, I'm more famous than Pamela Anderson."

I really don't think MIT should be encouraging this sort of thing.

Chad, by the way, did not make the list even though he's the front man for Billboard's top rock group of the 2000s.

The rest of the top 25 list continues to undermine the credibility of the MIT findings. Either that, or I don't get out enough these days. Somebody named Chris Benoit is the 12th most famous Canadian in the world, more famous than Avatar director James Cameron (14) and Marshall McLuhan (17) the man who said "The medium is the message." Boy, was he right on. Just not as famous as Avril Lavigne or Chris Benoit, whoever he is.

It may be this list is telling the truth, and in the words of that famous American Jack Nicholson, we can't handle the truth. So, like most people who don't like what they hear, I propose to ignore all this … data, and go on thinking that Glenn Gould, the world's greatest pianist (19), is more famous, and deservedly so, than some guy named Chris Benoit.

ZOOM

Birds of a spider flock together

JURGEN OTTO /SOLENT NEWS

Spider's display is courtship dance

This male spider tries to attract a female by showing off its colours — just like a peacock. The maratus, also known as the peacock spider, flaunts its stunning blue, red and green flaps to catch the eye of a female. The spider, one of 43 species of maratus, was found by biologist Jurgen Otto near Esperance, Western Australia. METRO

Quoted

"The males do not discriminate between the females of different species and will display their bright bodies to females that belong to other species." Jurgen Otto

Arachnid gives bird's-eye view

This species of peacock spider, the maratus avibus, really does look like a feathered creature.

"The design on the spider's abdomen looks like two birds facing each other — which made experts choose the name 'avibus', meaning 'birds' in Latin," says Otto. METRO

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It's that time of year again: the dreaded tax season. With a few weeks to go to file, might as well check it off the to-do list now. You can shell out and get your accountant to take care of it, or stay home, brew a cup of coffee and get it done yourself. Here are a few CRA Netfile-certified online/mobile options to (hopefully) take some of the pain away.

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@chiefwrongwolf: why does this need science? mime?? besides this is the Owrst game of charades I have EVER played let me tell you

@Machzy: Agent Smith said it best - humans are a virus - we move to an area and multiply until every natural resource is consumed. Looks like the moon is next!

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Filmmaker explores teen genre in Beyond Clueless

SXSW. Documentary examines teen movies from more than 200 not-quite classics

NED EHRBAR
Metro World News in Hollywood

First-time filmmaker Charlie Lyne came to SXSW to premiere Beyond Clueless, his exploration of teen movies. Less a traditional, talking heads doc than a lyrical, fluid examination of the genre, Lyne gives the scholarly and artistic treatment to a class of films usually excluded from such pursuits, with narration by Fairuza Balk and visuals from more than 200 teen not-quite classics.

How has it been, bringing your first film to SXSW?

What's nice is it feels like we're repeating the experience of doing the Kickstarter now because it's going out to a load of people who have no idea who any of us are but have some bearing on this subject matter. ... Everyone has that film that they grew up watching and obsessing over, and usually it's a film that is quite singular to them.

So is Clueless that movie for you?

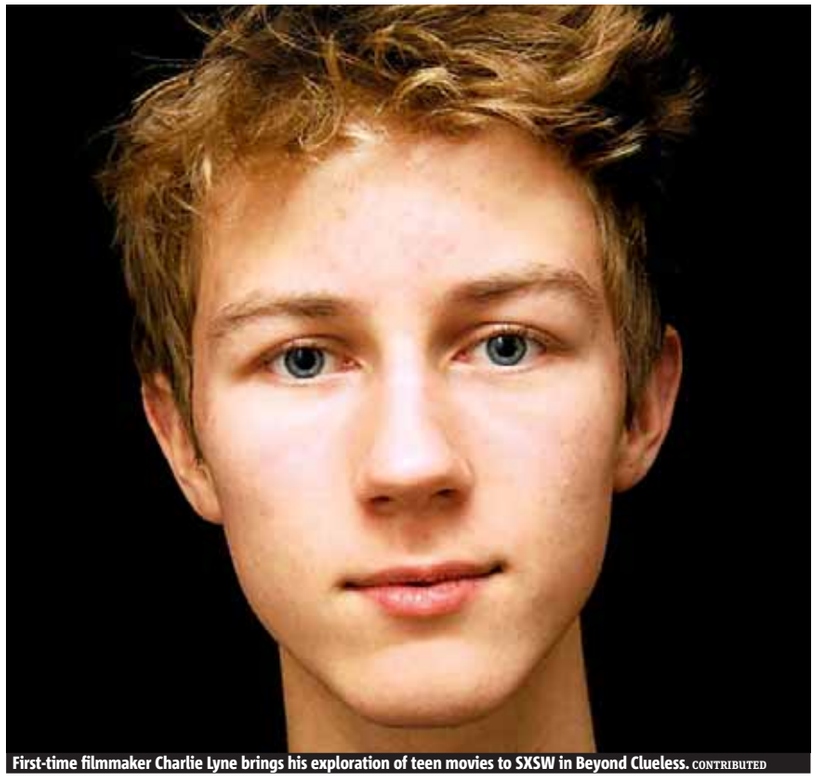
Clueless is a film I completely love and certainly growing up it was one of my five or 10 that I would go back to again and again and again, but actually the ones I always found more fascinating were the ones that, for lack of a better word, aren't quite as good as Clueless.

The teen genre for me is most fascinating when it doesn't quite work, you know? There's plenty of teen movies that I think are unequivocally brilliant — wouldn't change a thing, perfect movies — stuff like Clueless, stuff like Cruel Intentions, that just really work and know themselves.

But the teen movies that I find fascinating are the ones that aren't quite there, that have so much buried beneath the skin but don't quite know what they are. There's so much more going on that even the film itself isn't really aware of — which perfectly mirrors the experience of being a teenager.

So a film with an identity crisis?

Exactly. So many of them seem to have these palpable identity crises going on inside them. Something like Idle Hands. A film about a teenage boy who has an attractive girl move in next door and suddenly finds that he can't control his right hand — it doesn't seem like a stretch to say that's a metaphor for something. And yet you look back at the way people talked about it when it first came out and there's nothing about that. It's all just, "Devon Sawa is reasonably OK in this middling horror vehicle."



First-time filmmaker Charlie Lyne brings his exploration of teen movies to SXSW in Beyond Clueless. CONTRIBUTED

The teen market is also one that never really goes away in Hollywood.

Surely it's the one film genre that openly states who it's for in its very title. I love that about it, I think there's something really interesting about films that are explicitly marketed toward the most malleable, impressionable group. And why wouldn't they be the most fascinating to talk about when they have so much power over people?

I think everyone would be willing to admit that they were in at least some way shaped by the films that they saw at that age. That was what was brilliant and terrifying about doing this film, was watching all these films that I unthinkingly took on at 13 and going, "Oh God, what awful lessons was I learning? What was I accepting about myself on the basis of this film?" So it's been good therapy. I'm now a functional human being after going through my teen movie demons.

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Eerie posts on L'Wren's social media feeds

Designer L'Wren Scott's sudden death Monday was made even more shocking when her social media accounts continued posting several hours after she died.

Because of previously scheduled posts or a PR team that wasn't yet aware of her passing, several Facebook posts and tweets appeared after her death was announced, confusing and upsetting her followers.

Perhaps the eeriest image was a photo of several of Scott's designs hung from a tree and apparently lit from within, which appeared on the designer's Facebook just hours after her death was announced. A strange, ghostly image indeed, after the designer's apparent suicide.

Her Twitter account also remained active, leaving some fans unsure of whether her death was a hoax or not.

Scott was Mick Jagger's longtime girlfriend, and The Rolling Stones said Tuesday they have called off tour dates in Australia and New Zealand in the wake of her death.

The iconic band said in a statement they "are deeply sorry and disappointed to announce the postponement of the rest of their 14 ON FIRE tour." Band members thanked fans "for their support at this difficult time."

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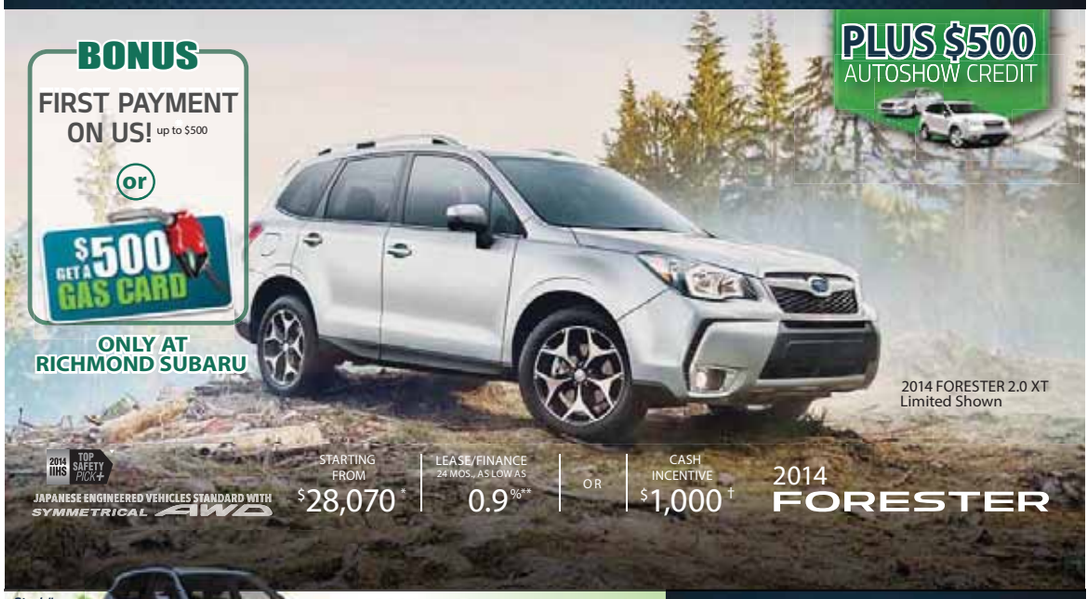
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Courtney Love finds missing airplane, according to Courtney Love

MELINDA TAUB
Metro World News

Courtney Love is about as stable as Los Angeles was at 6:25 a.m. on Monday. If given the choice, I would not elect Courtney to the position of Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 Finder-In-Chief — for that, I'd probably go with an international team of aviation experts.

However, the international team of aviation experts haven't turned up much, have they? Every day they widen the search area so much that I presume we'll soon be looking on the moon. Courtney Love, on the other hand, believes she knows exactly where it is, so maybe we ought to give her a shot.

"I'm no expert but up close this does look like a plane and an oil slick," she tweeted, with a link to a satellite photo showing an empty-looking stretch of ocean.

Love then tweeted that the location was "like a mile away Pulau Perak, where they 'last' tracked it." She also added some childish-looking scrawls over the photo pointing to where she thinks the plane and oil are.

I really don't know what I'll do with myself if it turns out she's right. Then again, Courtney Love Finding Missing People All Around the World Through the Power of MS Paint is definitely a TV show I'd watch.

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Grand Canyon right up Google's Street View

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The search giant partnered with the advocacy group American Rivers to showcase views of nearly 300 miles of whitewater rapids, towering red canyon walls, and rich geologic history.

The 360-degree views that went live Thursday in Google's Street View map option once were reserved largely for rafters who were lucky enough to board a private trip through the remote canyon, or those willing to pay big bucks to navigate its whitewater rapids.

Google project lead Karin Tuxen-Bettman hopes the images educate the public about the U.S. waterway that American Rivers listed as the most endangered in 2013 due to drought and overuse.

"We hope this inspires viewers to take an active interest in preserving it," she said.

Federal officials and environmentalists have been raising alarms recently about demand outstripping supply on the river serving some 40 million people in seven Western states.

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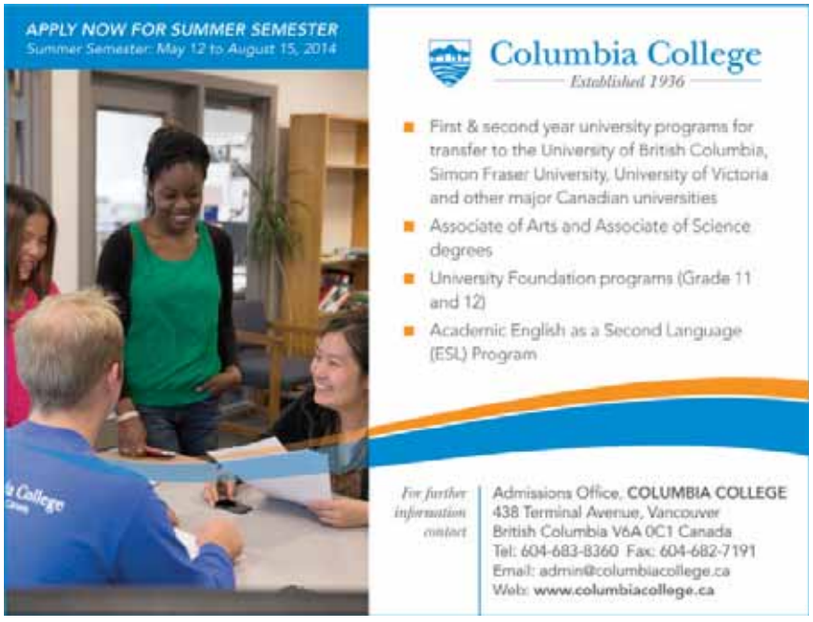
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Tourists make case for night court as gritty attraction

Real-life law and order draws visitors: Police escort a handcuffed woman into New York's Criminal Court Building.
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Warming the bench. With luminaries like P. Diddy known to have graced its halls, night court is one of the more unique draws in N.Y.C.

Jenny Baumann's itinerary for her first trip to New York City: Rockefeller Center. The Empire State Building. Central Park. Night court.

In a city synonymous with theatres and nightlife, the 26-year-old from Munich was perched on a scarred wooden bench in a utilitarian room in lower Manhattan on a recent evening, straining to decode — sometimes even to hear — the methodical hubbub of arraignments in one of the U.S.'s busiest courts.

"It's very interesting to hear real cases," Baumann said as she and a friend watched a judge decide whether to set bail for people facing charges ranging from choking a girlfriend to stealing a six-pack of beer.

Each case was handled in a matter of minutes amid a hive of clerks shuffling paperwork, police taking retinal scans, defendants and lawyers conferring in a confessional-sized glass booth and court officers occasionally bellowing, "Quiet, please!"

It's one of New York's more peculiar and paradoxical tourist traditions, a place visitors extol on travel websites while many residents hope never to wind up there. To travellers, it's gritty entertainment, hard-knocks education or at least a chance to experience real-life law and order on a New York scale.

Dozens of jurisdictions nationwide hold some court sessions at night, but Manhattan Criminal Court occupies a unique spot in the public's imagination, thanks to TV's Law & Order and Night Court, not to mention arraignments of real-life notables ranging from rapper Sean "Diddy" Combs to French politician Dominique Strauss-Kahn.

"This is something that feels really underground and unique," said Regis St. Louis, author of the current Lonely Planet New York book.

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Clicks, consoles and conversation

Pondering between play. Game makers to explore misogyny, racism and homophobia at annual gathering

Attendees play the Nintendo game Mario Tennis Open on a Nintendo 3DS console before its release at the 2012 Game Developers Conference in San Francisco. This year's conference will go beyond technology to address issues that affect gaming industry workers. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

The video game industry is taking itself more seriously.

Besides the usual talk of polygons, virtual worlds and artificial intelligence at this week's Game Developers Conference in San Francisco, there will also be planned discussions led by game makers about such socially conscious topics as designing for gamers with disabilities, battling depression at game studios and tackling hate speech in online game communities.

The organizers of GDC, which kicked off Monday at the Moscone Center and continues through Friday, have expanded the conference's advocacy-themed sessions with panels featuring such titles as Beyond Graphics: Reaching the Visually Impaired Gamer, How to Subversively Queer Your Work and Women Don't Want to Work in Games (and Other Myths).

"It's something that in some way or another has always been part of the conference, but it's something that we've found interest in genuinely continue to grow as the industry has become more diverse and inclusive," said Simon Carless, executive vice-president of UBM Tech Game Network, which organizes GDC and several other technology conventions.

This year's conference is expected to attract about 23,000 game developers and executives from across the globe. Carless and other GDC organizers, which includes an advocacy advisory committee made up of game designers, hope that examinations of racism, misogyny and homophobia in games aid the industry's continued fight for wider cultural legitimacy.

Rosalind Wiseman, author of the book Queen Bees and Wannabes, which inspired the Lindsay Lohan film Mean Girls, was part of a Tuesday discussion about gaming and social hierarchies among boys.

The panel was to examine how the games that young men choose to play affect their popularity, as well as their social competence in moments of conflict.

Other speakers will include Adam Orth, who left Microsoft Corp. last year after fiery Twitter exchanges about "always-on" technology; Manveer Heir, a game maker who works on the Mass Effect sci-fi series, which features gay and lesbian characters; and Toshifumi Nakabayashi, who organizes an annual game workshop to support Fukushima disaster victims.

Despite the refreshed focus on real-world issues at the convention, how to view and interact with ever-changing virtual worlds will ultimately take centre stage at GDC. PlayStation 4 creator Sony Corp. was expected to tease its rendition of virtual reality technology during a presentation called Driving the Future of Innovation at Sony Computer Entertainment.

Meanwhile, a handful of developers will be showing off software using the VR goggles Oculus Rift, which captured attendees' attention at last year's conference.

The exhibit ALT.CTRL.GDC will highlight 14 games that utilize such alternative control schemes, like a piano-powered version of the sidescroller Canabalt and a holographic display called Voxiebox.

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Gab and games

"It's something that in some way or another has always been part of the conference, but it's something that we've found interest in genuinely continue to grow as the industry has become more diverse and inclusive."

Simon Carless on incorporating lectures that tackle real-life issues into the Game Developers Conference itinerary

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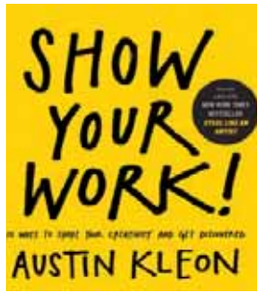

You write, you paint, you compose — but who really cares besides you? With a few good tips from the book Show Your Work by Austin Kleon it might be easier to get noticed among all the other artists out there. We got some of the best advice from his boldly designed book.

Share something small every day

"The thing about sharing is that you want to make sure it's an act of generosity, and that what you're sharing is either interesting or useful to the people on the other end.

"When I say 'share something small every day' it can be something very small. Just one little piece of your process that you think might be interesting or helpful for someone else. Some of the writers I follow (online) share their favourite sentence that they read every day. Or an artist will just share a page from their sketchbook. Little bits and pieces you can share every day that kind of put yourself out there and keep people up to date with what you're doing. It's kind of like if a filmmaker will share the DVD extras while they were still making the movie."

Learn to take a punch

"When you put your work out into the world you have to be ready for the good, the bad and the ugly. I feel that sharing your work on the whole is a very pleasant and good experience, but you're always going to take a punch, so to speak. You really just have to get your work out there and experience what it's like to have it out. Just to have people see it and talk about it. The way to take a punch is to get hit a lot. Get used to being hit, you know. It's important to remember that your work isn't you. People feel really close to their work, but you have to remember that the products of your work aren't necessarily you personally. So when people tear down your work they're not necessarily tearing down you."

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2. Reduce the heat to low. Cover and cook for about 25 minutes or until liquid is absorbed. Fluff with fork and set aside.

Ingredients

- 1 1/2 cups (375 ml) sodium reduced chicken broth
- 3/4 cup (175 ml) brown rice
- 1 tsp (5 ml) sesame oil
- 2 boneless skinless chicken breasts, chopped (about 12 oz/340 g)
- 1 cup (250 ml) sliced mushrooms
- 2 green onions, chopped
- 1 carrot, diced
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) sliced celery
- 1 cup (250 ml) cooked chickpeas
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) sodium reduced soy sauce
- 2 cups (500 ml) bean sprouts

This recipe makes four servings. EMILY RICHARDS

3. In a large nonstick skillet heat the sesame oil over medium high heat and cook boneless skinless chicken and sliced mushrooms for about 8 minutes or until chicken is no longer pink.

4. Add the chopped green onions, diced carrot, sliced celery, cooked chickpeas and cooked rice. Cook, stirring for 2 another minutes to combine all of the flavours.

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David Desharnais congratulates Canadiens teammate Thomas Vanek on his third goal against the Colorado Avalanche on Tuesday night in Montreal. Vanek's hat trick lifted Montreal to a 6-3 win over the Avalanche in former Habs great Patrick Roy's first game at the Bell Centre as an NHL head coach. Brandon Prust, who left the game late in the first period with an apparent shoulder injury, returned to score a goal and set up one by Travis Moen for Montreal, which won its third game in a row. Vanek got his first goal in six games since he was acquired at the NHL trade deadline. Trailing by two goals, Roy pulled his goalie with 2:20 left to play, but Dale Weise scored into the empty net.

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Whitecaps know they can be better

MLS. Vancouver side look to move on from draw against Chivas USA

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You can throw out excuses like the California heat or playing on the road. Plain and simple, the Vancouver Whitecaps know they weren't at their best Sunday against an undermanned Chivas USA squad.

It showed in the result. The Whitecaps had to fight back with a late second-half goal from Kekuta Manneh to earn the draw against Chivas, down to 10 men from the 13-minute mark of the match due to a red card, and a single point.

So, all was not entirely lost. But an additional two points against a Western Conference opponent, albeit early in the regular season, slipped away.

It was a sharp contrast from a brilliant season-opening performance against New York, when the Whitecaps looked nearly invincible.

The Whitecaps convened at UBC on Tuesday, with most players from Sunday's starting lineup working out in the pool as opposed to the turf of Thunderbird Stadium. Only starters Darren Mattocks and Nigel Reo-Coker took part in the on-field training, with other members of the roster.

There was also a video session to further dissect Sunday's match.

"You never want to have any poor games, down days," said Scottish striker Kenny Miller, adding he did not believe the Whitecaps took Chivas, a club that has endured its share of struggles both on and off the field, lightly.

"I think even the work ethic of the team was down a little bit on Sunday … we just seemed a little devoid of any real energy or any kind of belief, really."

Tuesday marked the beginning of a week of preparation, with the Whitecaps back on the road again to the play the New England Revolution on Saturday. The Revolution is 0-2-0 and has yet to score a goal.

NHL

Playoffs look like long shot in Van City

The Vancouver Canucks are back home after a four-game road trip, in which they won twice. However, their two losses — to Washington and Tampa Bay — have likely terminated any chance the Canucks have of making the Stanley Cup playoffs.

The Canucks host the Nashville Predators at Rogers Arena on Wednesday sitting 10th in the Western Conference standings and five points out of a playoff spot with only 11 games remaining in their schedule.

NHL

Flames sign Giants D-man Kulak

The Calgary Flames on Tuesday announced the signing of Vancouver Giants defenceman Brett Kulak to an entry-level contract.

It's a three-year contract with an average annual value of $816,667, the club said in a statement.

CFL

Lions bring back lineman Jordan for a third campaign

The B.C. Lions signed import defensive lineman Brandon Jordan to a contract extension, the local CFL club announced Tuesday.

Jordan enters his third season with the Lions. He started in nine games as a defensive tackle last year, with 15 tackles and four sacks as a sophomore.

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Smile big in the 2014 Mini Cooper

Review. The same . . . but totally different? This shouldn't really come as a surprise to anyone

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Some cars can make you smile, whether you're behind the wheel, riding as a passenger, or watching them drive down the street.

Since its 2002 model-year arrival, the Mini Cooper has enjoyed a growing number of admirers, due in no small part to the Mini brand adding more and more models.

The third-generation BMW-built Mini, which goes on sale this spring, should elicit the same appreciative grins even if to the casual observer it appears much the same as before. Hard-core Mini fans will, however, note significant changes afoot everywhere, which is because virtually every aspect of the Mini Cooper is brand new.

The extra 4.5 centimetres in width is good news for passengers and should also make for flatter cornering. As well, an extra three centimeres between the front and rear wheels doesn't sound like much, but for rear-seat riders, who can now recline the split-folding back cushion for added comfort, every little bit helps. There's also slightly more stowage space with the rear seat in the upright position. The rest of the cabin has undergone a major retooling. Most obvious, the centre-stack-mounted speedometer has been relocated to the steering column. It's flanked by a half-moon tachometer to the left and the fuel gauge lights on the right.

The clock-like centre-stack pod carries over and houses the infotainment, communications and navigation systems that are controlled by a rotary dial on the floor console. Near it are pushbuttons for the air conditioning, ventilation and seat warmers plus toggle switches for other functions such as traction and stability control that reduce the likelihood of skids and spins in adverse conditions.

Easily the most radical change is found under the hood as there are two new powerplants. Base models run with a turbocharged 1.5-litre three-cylinder that puts out 134 horsepower and 162 pound-feet of torque. That's up considerably from the previous non-turbo 1.6-litre four-cylinder's 121 horsepower and relatively puny 114 pound-feet of torque.

Moving up to the Cooper S puts you in control of a turbocharged 2.0-litre four-cylinder with 189 horsepower and 207 pound-feet of torque (the 2013 Cooper S generated 181 horses and 208 pound-feet of torque).

The new standard six-speed manual transmission has a more precise shift linkage, while a six-speed automatic is optional.

Both engines feature an overboost function to provide a bit more torque for a few seconds (good for added passing power) when the gas pedal is floored. Overboost also helps the base cars achieve a zero-to-100 km/h time of 7.9 seconds, versus 8.6 seconds for the previous base four-cylinder. The Cooper S can do it in 6.8 seconds (previously 7.0), as measured by Mini.

For 2014, the base price is $22,750, including destination charges, but there are several new options that could tempt you to spend more. They include an adjustable suspension with Comfort and Sport settings as well as a Head-Up-Display that projects speed and basic navigation info onto a dash-mounted pop-up monitor. The oddest accessory is the self-park feature to guide a skills-deficient Mini driver into an appropriate spot. Honestly, anyone unable to parallel-park a car this small should consider purchasing a bus pass.

However, the additions and improvements to the Mini Cooper give it more of a real-car persona, which makes it feel less like a novelty. That should also make it much easier to justify as a purchase and much easier to live with.

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2014 Mini Cooper

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- **Transmissions.** Six-speed manual; six-speed automatic (opt.)
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Hey, that sinkhole eight my classic Corvettes!

Every cloud ... The positive side of this story is that museum attendance is up and three of the cars have been salvaged so far

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The sinkhole at the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky, which swallowed eight historic Corvettes last month, was certainly bad news for Corvette fans and the museum.

But museum attendance and interest is up since the sinkhole, so not all bad I guess…

People are obviously fascinated with the spectacle and drama of a sinkhole. Throw in some super-special Corvettes, and suddenly you have a major-league attraction on your hands.

One report I read also noted that museum patrons are even fascinated with all the "crane action" going on. The cranes are part of the efforts to extricate the fallen 'Vettes.

Big cranes. Cool sports cars. Big sinkhole. Now that's a museum even a 10-year-old ADD boy could love. I wonder if they're taking notes over at the Royal Ontario, Glenbow, and National Gallery; maybe even contemplating how one or two of their more esoteric exhibits might benefit from a similar sinkhole makeover.

The Sinkholed Eight

- 1962 black Corvette
- 1984 PPG Pace Car
- 1992 white 1 millionth Corvette
- 1993 ZR1 Spyder
- 1993 40th anniversary Corvette
- 2001 Mallett Hammer Z06 Corvette
- 2009 ZR1 "Blue Devil"
- 2009 white 1.5 millionth Corvette

The 1962 Corvette was the first one out of the sinkhole, and sustained less damage than one might have expected for such a mishap. Eight museum Corvettes took the plunge. Three are still down there. GENERAL MOTORS

The 1962 Corvette was the first to get rescued, lifted out of the sinkhole nose first. Engineers then successfully extracted the 2009 Corvette ZR-1 "Blue Devil" and a 1993 40th anniversary model Corvette. All three were in surprisingly good shape, considering.

The remaining cars had more stuff fall on top of them and are more heavily damaged. As of this writing, three 'Vettes are still in the sinkhole: a one-off ZR1 Spyder; the 2001 Mallett Hammer Z06, and the 1.5 millionth Corvette.

Construction crews need to continue to stabilize the walls of the sinkhole before attempting to vacuum out the dirt from around those remaining cars. But they are sure to be rescued at some point, and then they will likely join the other "survivors" in a special display, before they all get made new again. The sinkhole is in the Skydome, a separate structure from the main museum. While the Skydome is off-limits for now, the main museum remains open.

There are two adjoining walls between the buildings. One wall features a video monitor, which shows live webcam footage of the work going on in the Skydome. The other features a plexi-glass viewing area.

Sinkholes are not uncommon in Kentucky, one of several U.S. states especially prone to them, by virtue of the Karst topography, a landscape largely formed by the dissolving action of water on soft bedrock (usually limestone).

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Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
If you make a wish over the next two or three days, it may come true. With the Sun moving into your birth sign tomorrow, marking the start of a new solar year, you are likely to get whatever you ask for.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
Whatever information you may have that others do not you should treat it like gold dust today. The less others know about what you are up to, the more you will benefit.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
If you play your cards right over the next few days, there is every chance that some of your big dreams will start to come true. The dividing line between fantasy and reality is quite narrow.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
Important people are watching you closely, so make sure they like what they see. The Sun's move into the career area of your chart tomorrow will energize you and make you more ambitious.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
Make sure facts are on your side if you want to make an issue out of something. Remember, it's not enough to tell others that they are doing it wrong. They also need to be shown how to do it right.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
If your sixth sense tells you that something isn't quite right, listen to it and refrain from doing anything that might lead you down the wrong path — especially financially.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
As the Sun is about to move into the relationship area of your chart you should make more of an effort to get along with the people around you, even those you don't like.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You need to start thinking about cutting back on work. The past few weeks have been a time of great activity and your momentum will keep you going for a while yet, but your body needs a break.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
No matter how difficult the past few weeks have been, your affairs will improve dramatically as of tomorrow. Cheer up and stop acting as if the world is about to end.

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
The Sun's change of signs tomorrow means you can come to grips with a family issue that has been causing you plenty of grief. Let loved ones know what you think and how you feel and invite them to be honest with you as well.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
The more you are on the move over the next few days, the more likely it is you will find answers to the questions you have been asking. You may not be thrilled by some of the things you learn but the truth is about facts, not feelings.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Good news concerning your finances is coming your way in the next few days. You won't get something for nothing but you'll at least have more cash in your pocket. **SALLY BROMPTON**

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.

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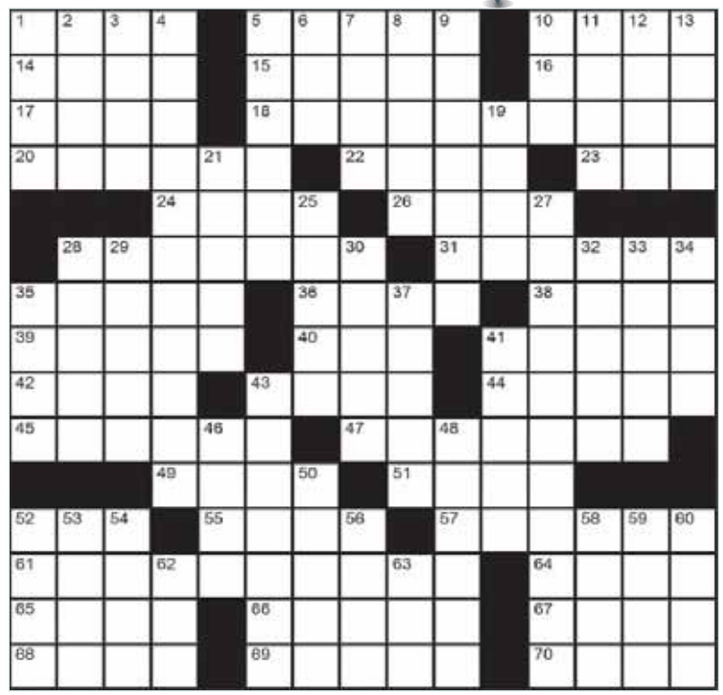
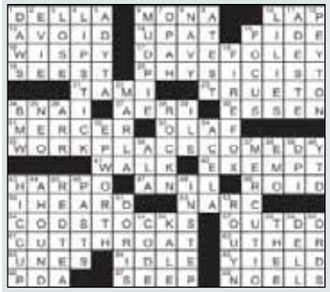


Across
1. Ointment
5. House's behind-the-walls sights
10. __ Lake, Alberta
14. Parkay, for one
15. Totally ticked
16. Cleaving tool
17. Sham
18. "This Hour Has 22 Minutes" cast member: 2 wds.
20. Turn to for trusty support: 2 wds.
22. Website's main page
23. Stylish sash
24. Glass-making stuff
26. Fly elegantly
28. Venezuela's capital
31. Takes the pen's 'lid' off
35. Full range
36. "__ Lap" (1983)
38. Vegan's no-no
39. __ and beyond
40. Geological period
41. Book part
42. Wine, in Italy
43. What 'i' has on top, _ __
44. Sound-making cow
45. Immerse
47. Terri Clark hit: "Poor, Poor __ Me"
49. Chesterfield
51. Jan & Dean's "__ City"
52. Perform
55. Ms. Del Rey
57. Peanut butter brand
61. 1990 Kiefer Sutherland movie in which Julia Roberts also starred
64. Concern
65. Glowing light
66. Countrified
67. All square
68. Stack of paper
69. Gradient
70. George W. Bush, et al.

Down
1. 1922 Nobel Prize in Physics winner, Niels __
2. Cosmetic cream's content
3. Actress, Sharon __
4. "King of Spain": Hit tune for what Canadian band?: 2 wds.
5. Checked blanket dining experience
6. Mr. Levin
7. Way
8. Set of values
9. British actress Jane
10. Corp. bigwig concerned with money
11. "Deal __ __ Deal"
12. Singer/songwriter Lisa
13. Mr. Arnaz
19. Former PM Mr. Chretien
21. Pontificate
25. Recorded
27. Red coat wearing police person: acr. + word
28. Log abode
29. Surrounded by
30. Salt-n-Pepa song
32. Friends to 'and sometimes Y'
33. __ truck
34. 'Trick' suffix
35. Handed
37. 'Nay' sides in debates
41. Insincere smile
43. Matters
46. __ around (Lounge)
48. Bitty brawl
50. Overturn
52. From way out there
53. Crossword __
54. Charlottetown-born singer Ms. MacLean
56. Prefix with 'dynamic'
58. Finish a road
59. Get set
60. Cravings
62. Glasgow topper
63. Knock

Yesterday's Crossword



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Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

9		8		2		5	1	
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			1					7
2		5	8					
1			2		3			6
					7	1		8
5					4			
						3	8	
	3	7		1		9		4

Yesterday's Sudoku

5	4	2	1	3	7	6	9	8
9	8	6	5	2	4	1	7	3
7	1	3	8	6	9	2	4	5
2	7	5	4	1	8	9	3	6
6	3	1	9	7	2	5	8	4
4	9	8	6	5	3	7	2	1
3	5	7	2	8	6	4	1	9
8	6	4	7	9	1	3	5	2
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